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For: **Resynchronization Of Multiple Copies Of A Database After A Divergence in Transaction History**

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COMMUNICATION AFTER ALLOWANCE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.312 APPLICANTS' COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In the Notice of Allowance dated **April 21, 2008**, the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance includes the following characterization of independent claims 1, 22, 25, and 26:

> "parsing design criteria into elemental manufacturing building modules independent of the one or more design data files and storing to a database a meta-date file comprising the extracted design criteria and the elemental manufacturing building modules, incorporating the manufacturing knowledge into the meta-data file."

Without prejudice or disclaimer regarding the characterization of the independent claims, Applicants submit that, with respect to claim 1, the cited art of record neither discloses nor suggests:

> A method for resynchronizing multiple copies of a database after a
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> divergence in transaction history, the database, D1, and its copies, D1',
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> having database pages, logs, and log records, comprising:

ALL REFERENCES CONSIDERED EXCEPT WHERE LINED THROUGH. /TP/